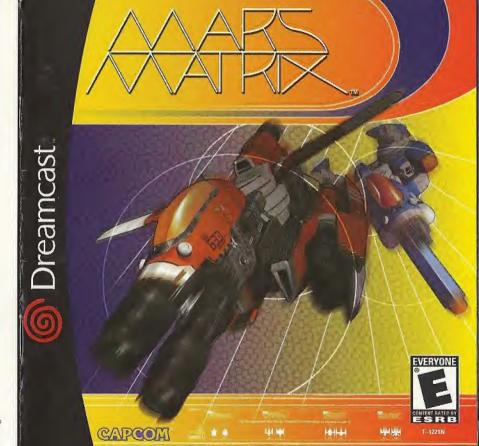




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# THE RED PLANET REBELS!

Half a century has passed since humans successfully carried out their project to migrate to Mars.

During the colonization, several self-governing areas formed on the red planet. But independent control was never granted, Instead, the MDA (Mars Development Agency) was created by the Earth Federation.

Outwardly, Mars seemed to be self-governing, In reality, it was a shackled colony completely controlled by Earth.

## DECEMBER 8TH, 2309 ...

A sudden crackle of static bursts into Earth's atmosphere. An unexpected transmission from Mars breaks into all broadcasts — "We declare our independence. We are no longer Earth's subjects" — and all contact from Mars is lost.

The red planet maintains an eerie silence. All of Earth's attempts to contact Mars fail.

Realizing the situation is extreme, the Earth Federation Army readies its toughest military contingent to deploy from the moon and converge on Mars. This armed spaceforce is made up of hundreds of ships and a few experimental fighters ...

Space explodes into a battlefield. The Mars War of Independence begins!





# SEGA DREAMCAST™

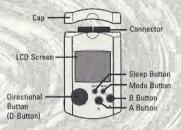
#### SEGA DREAMCAST HARDWARE UNIT



Use these ports to connect the Sega Dreamcast™ Controller or other peripheral equipment. From left to right are Control Port A, Control Port B. Control Port C. and Control Port D. For MARS MATRIX, use Control Ports A and B to connect controllers for players 1 and 2 respectively.

MARS MATRIX is a 1-to-2 player game. Before turning the Sega Dreamcast power ON, connect the Sega Dreamcast controller(s) or other peripheral equipment into the control ports. Purchase an additional controller (sold separately) to play with two people.

#### SEGA DREAMCAST VISUAL MEMORY UNIT (VMU)



To automatically save score rankings, option settings and other game information, insert a Visual Memory Unit (VMU) into Expansion Slot 1 of the controller in Control Port A BEFORE turning on the Sega Dreamcast.

Note: While saving a game file, never turn OFF the Sega Dreamcast power, remove the memory card or disconnect the controller

# CONTROLS

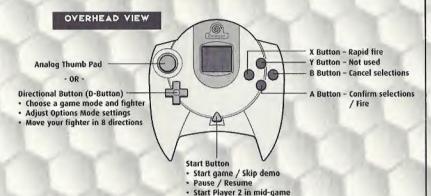
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- Never touch the Analog Thumb Pad or Triggers L/R while turning the Sega
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  and result in malfunction. If the Analog Thumb Pad or Triggers L/R are accidentally
  moved while turning the Sega Dreamcast power ON, immediately turn the power
  OFF and then ON again, making sure not to touch the controller.
- To return to the Title screen at any point during game play, simultaneously press and hold the A, B, X, Y and Start buttons. This will cause the Sega Dreamcast to soft-reset the software.

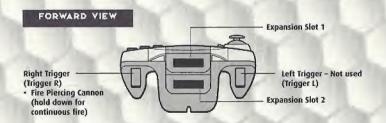
#### SEGA DREAMCAST JUMP PACK"

MARS MATRIX supports the Jump Pack vibration peripheral. When inserted into the Expansion Slot of a Sega Dreamcast controller or compatible peripheral equipment, the Jump Pack provides a vibration effect that can considerably enhance the gameplay experience.

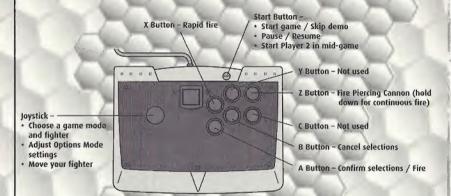
Note: When inserted into Expansion Slot 1 of the Sega Dreamcast controller, the Jump Pack connects, but does not lock. If the controller is jarred, the Jump Pack may fall out during gameplay or otherwise inhibit game play operation.

#### SEGA DREAMCAST CONTROLLER





#### SEGA DREAMCAST ARCADE STICK



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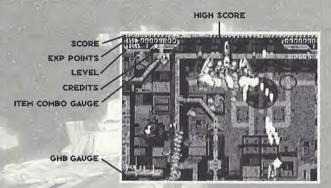
# STARTING A GAME

Press the Start Button at the Title screen to display the Main Menu. To make your selections, use the Directional Button to choose and press the A Button to confirm.

- Before starting play, set game options by selecting OPTIONS. (See page 18.)
- Select a game mode by choosing ARCADE MODE, ELITE MODE or SCORE CHALLENGE. (See game mode descriptions beginning on page 16)
- Select a fighter: Mosquito 01 or Mosquito 02.
   (You can also select a fighter every time you continue a level during play.)
- A brief control instruction demo begins.
   (You can skip this by pressing the Start Button)
- MARS MATRIX combat begins!



# **GAME SCREEN**



HIGHSCORE

SCORE

EXP POINTS

LEVEL

CREDITS

ITEM COMBO GAUGE

GHB GAUGE

BOSS TIMER

The highest score achieved in the game mode.

Your current score.

Your current experience points.

Your fighter's current level.

Number of fighters remaining.

Time limit for gaining Item Combo Points. (See page 13.)

Gravity Hole Bomb Gauge: The bar decreases when you use absorption barrier Mosquito. You cannot use

it again until the gauge refills.

(Not shown) Displays when you're fighting a boss character. When the time runs out, the boss

character retreats.

# COMBAT RULES

#### EVOLVING YOUR MOSQUITO FIGHTER

When you defeat certain enemies or hit Cubes appear and float onscreen, Collect these cubes (by flying over them) and your fighter will evolve up to level 8.

#### ITEM COMBO POINTS

When you collect Experience Cubes, you earn Experience Points. Your Experience Points are used as your basic score multiplier. Try to collect Experience Cubes quickly and get your score multiplier as high as possible.

#### GAME OVER

bullet, you lose one fighter (You don't lose your fighter by touching an enemy itself) When all your fighters are lost, your game

You can continue your game (up to 3 times) by pressing the Start Button during the countdown. When you restart a level, you can select a different fighter at the top of the game screen.

# ATTACK MODES

#### NORMAL SHOT

- · Press the A Button rapidly.
- Hold down the X Button to rapid-fire the normal shot.
- As you collect Experience Points and raise your fighter's level, the normal shot becomes more powerful.

#### PIERCING CANNON

- Release the A. Button briefly and then press it again.
- Hold down the Trigger R to rapid-fire the Piercing Cannon.
- The Piercing Cannon is a powerful mid-range laser. The closer the enemy is when you deploy it, the more damage the shot will do.

#### ABSORPTION BARRIER MOSQUITO

- When the GHB (Gravity Hole Bomb)
   Gauge is full, press and hold the A button.
- Your fighter will be surrounded by a barrier that absorbs and reflects enemy bullets. As you continue holding the A Button, the color bar in the GHB Gauge decreases. When you release the A Button, the absorbed bullets are discharged.
- Adjust the direction of fire with the Directional Button or Analog. Thumb Pad.

## GRAVITY HOLE BOMB (GHB)

- When the GHB Gauge is full, hold down the A Button until the full gauge is drained of energy.
- Gravity Hole Bomb is a super powerful explosive that attacks a large area on screen. The closer the enemy is to you when you deploy it, the more damage it wreaks.





# GAME MODES

#### ARCADE MODE

A perfect conversion from the original arcade game.

#### ELITE MODE

Play an enhanced version with various options added to the original game. You can adjust Special Options settings for this mode. (See page 19)

ELITEMODE [A] Enemy positions are

rearranged for the Sega Dreamcast version

ELITEMODE [B] Enemy positions are the same

as in the arcade version.

#### SCORE CHALLENGE MODE

for 1 player only. Choose a stage and score as high as you can. There is no limit to the number of fighters you have.

Score Challenge Mode has a special feature: When you defeat an enemy with the Piercing Cannon, a spray of small Stardust Cubes appears. Each one adds I point to your Experience Points when collected.

You can adjust Special Options settings for Score Challenge Elite Mode games. (See page 19)

#### RANKING

Check the score rankings in Arcade, Elite and Score Challenge Modes:

Use the Directional Button or Analog Thumb Pad, or press the Triggers L/R to look at score rankings for different game mode.

#### STRATEGY

Check out a strategy demo for each stage. You can buy strategy demos in Shop Mode (see page 20). Press the Start Button during a demo to return to the Title screen.

#### RANKING INFORMATION

NAME Player name SCORE Player score

EXP Experience Points

IF Difficulty level

GS Combo Gauge speed (Elite

Mode only)

SPD Fighter speed (Elite Mode only)

LVL Initial level (Elite Mode only)

(Elite Mode only)

#### OPTIONS MODE

Adjust various game settings. Highlight an option by pressing the Directional Button or Analog Thumb Pad  $\triangle/\clubsuit$  and adjust by pressing  $\clubsuit/\spadesuit$ .

Adjust the difficulty level for Arcade and Elite Modes from 1 (easy) to 8 (hard). The default is 4. DIFFICULTY

NUMBER OF SHIPS Set the starting number of fighters for Arcade and Elite Modes from 1 to 7. The default is 3.

(Fighters 4 to 7 can be purchased in Shop Mode;

see page 20.)

CREDIT Set the starting number

> of credits from 1 to 9 or FREE. The default is 3. (Credits 4 to 9 and FREE

can be purchased in

Shop Mode)

SCREEN Press the A Button

> to see a submenu where you can adjust screen

size and positioning.

CONTROLLER Press the A Button to see

a submenu where you can change button assignments and turn

the Jump Pack vibration ON/OFF

(when a Jump Pack is being used).

SOUND Press the A Button to see a submenu where you can choose STEREO or

> MONAURAL according to your speaker system. You can also sample background music

(BGM) and sound effects (SE).



affect the Elite Mode levels only in regular and Score Challenge Mode games (see page 16).

COMBO TIME Adjust the speed

of the Item Combo Gauge countdown.

SHIP SPEED Adjust your fighter's

speed.

SHIP LEVEL

Adjust your fighter's starting level.

GHBCHARGE SPEED Set the speed at which

the Gravity Hole Bomb

Gauge charges.

BG GRAPHICS

Play with the background colors.



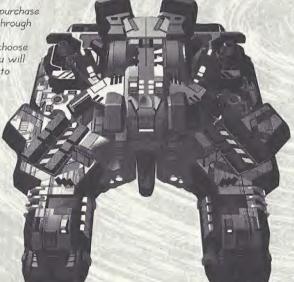
#### SHOP MODE

By advancing through the game and saving your score, you can earn enough "\$" to purchase various options. Your scores are converted to "\$" and you can see how much you have by accessing Shop Mode. In the Shop Mode screen, highlight an option and press the A Button to purchase it (if you have enough "\$").



#### GALLERY

Go to Shop Mode to purchase the Gallery. Browse through artwork from MARS MATRIX. When you choose an unlocked image, you will be asked if you want to purchase it, Highlight YES or NO and press the A Button.



# PAUSE MENU

EXIT GAME

Press the Start Button during gameplay to reveal the Pause Menu. Choose from the following options while paused:

CONTINUE Resume play (or press

the Start Button to resume).

SCREEN Press the A Button to see

a submenu where you can adjust screen size and

positioning.

CONTROLLER Press the A Button to see

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Quit and return to the Main Menu.







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